

## United States Patent and Trademark Office

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
United States Patent and Trademark Office
Address: COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450
www.usplo.gov

APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.	
10/674,743	09/29/2003	David Moyer	SPNE0002	4211	
22862	7590 04/20/2004		EXAMINER		
GLENN PATENT GROUP			ROJAS, B	ROJAS, BERNARD	
	N WAY, SUITE L RK, CA 94025		ART UNIT	PAPER NUMBER	
WENLOTA	x, CA 94023		2832		
			DATE MAIL ED: 04/20/200	4	

Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

	· ·		ur _			
	Application No.	Applicant(s)				
	10/674,743	MOYER ET AL.				
Office Action Summary	Examiner	Art Unit				
	Bernard Rojas	2832				
The MAILING DATE of this communic Period for Reply	ation appears on the cover sheet wit	h the correspond nce add	ress			
A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FO THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNIC  - Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this commun  - If the period for reply specified above is less than thirty (30)  - If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statu  - Failure to reply within the set or extended period for reply wi Any reply received by the Office later than three months after earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).	ATION. 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no event, however, may a re nication. days, a reply within the statutory minimum of thirty tory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONT ill, by statute, cause the application to become ABA	ply be timely filed  (30) days will be considered timely.  (FHS from the mailing date of this com  ANDONED (35 U.S.C. § 133).	nmunication.			
Status						
1) Responsive to communication(s) filed	on .					
	o)⊠ This action is non-final.					
3) Since this application is in condition for	·—	ers, prosecution as to the i	merits is			
closed in accordance with the practice	e under <i>Ex parte Quayle</i> , 1935 C.D.	. 11, 453 O.G. 213.				
Disposition of Claims						
4) ⊠ Claim(s) <u>1-41</u> is/are pending in the ap 4a) Of the above claim(s) is/are 5) ☐ Claim(s) is/are allowed. 6) ☐ Claim(s) is/are rejected. 7) ☐ Claim(s) is/are objected to. 8) ⊠ Claim(s) <u>1-41</u> are subject to restriction	withdrawn from consideration.					
Application Papers						
9) The specification is objected to by the	Examiner.					
10) The drawing(s) filed on is/are:	☐ The drawing(s) filed on is/are: a)☐ accepted or b)☐ objected to by the Examiner.					
Applicant may not request that any objecti	- · · ·		•			
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including to the control of the contr						
Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119						
	ocuments have been received. ocuments have been received in A f the priority documents have been al Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).	pplication No received in this National S	Stage			
Attachment(s)						
<ol> <li>Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)</li> <li>Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PT</li> </ol>	· — _	ummary (PTO-413) )/Mail Date				
Notice of Draitsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PT     Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or P Paper No(s)/Mail Date		formal Patent Application (PTO-	152)			

Art Unit: 2832

## **DETAILED ACTION**

## Election/Restrictions

This application contains claims directed to the following patentably distinct species of the claimed invention:

Embodiment 1: Figures 1-3.

Embodiment 2: Figures 4-6.

Embodiment 3: Figures 7-8.

Embodiment 4: Figure 9.

Embodiment 5: Figure 10.

Embodiment 6: Figures 11-13.

Embodiment 7: Figures 14-17.

Embodiment 8: Figures 18-22.

Embodiment 9: Figures 25-26.

Applicant is required under 35 U.S.C. 121 to elect a single disclosed species for prosecution on the merits to which the claims shall be restricted if no generic claim is finally held to be allowable. Currently, there are no generic claims.

Applicant is advised that a reply to this requirement must include an identification of the species that is elected consonant with this requirement, and a listing of all claims readable thereon, including any claims subsequently added. An argument that a claim is allowable or that all claims are generic is considered nonresponsive unless accompanied by an election.

Upon the allowance of a generic claim, applicant will be entitled to consideration of claims to additional species which are written in dependent form or otherwise include all the limitations of an allowed generic claim as provided by 37 CFR 1.141. If claims are added after the election, applicant must indicate which are readable upon the elected species. MPEP § 809.02(a).

Should applicant traverse on the ground that the species are not patentably distinct, applicant should submit evidence or identify such evidence now of record showing the species to be obvious variants or clearly admit on the record that this is the case. In either instance, if the examiner finds one of the inventions unpatentable over the prior art, the evidence or admission may be used in a rejection under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) of the other invention.

Applicant is advised that the reply to this requirement to be complete must include an election of the invention to be examined even though the requirement be traversed (37 CFR 1.143).

Applicant is reminded that upon the cancellation of claims to a non-elected invention, the inventorship must be amended in compliance with 37 CFR 1.48(b) if one or more of the currently named inventors is no longer an inventor of at least one claim remaining in the application. Any amendment of inventorship must be accompanied by a request under 37 CFR 1.48(b) and by the fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(i).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Bernard Rojas whose telephone number is (571) 272-1998. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 8-4:00), every other Friday off.

Art Unit: 2832

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Elvin G. Enad can be reached on (571) 272-1990. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

Information regarding the status of an application may be obtained from the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. Status information for published applications may be obtained from either Private PAIR or Public PAIR. Status information for unpublished applications is available through Private PAIR only. For more information about the PAIR system, see http://pair-direct.uspto.gov. Should you have questions on access to the Private PAIR system, contact the Electronic Business Center (EBC) at 866-217-9197 (toll-free).

Br